

growth to his flesh, shall of the flesh reap corruption." After a brief introduction, the speaker proceeded to say that men were liable to be deceived in every relation of life—in financial matters, in reference to health, and also with regard to friendships. One of the saddest things in this life was the holiness of the social world; but infinitely more disastrous was the deception which was rife in reference to the soul's condition. The religion of the senses had its devotes; of forms, its votaries; of the intellect, its disciples; and these were accepted as the condition of present and future salvation with far less care and examination than would be given to a trivial financial transaction. Persons might be deceived in regard to their personal interest in true religion. Multitudes professed religion who were never "born again," who never experienced

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